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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

September 8, 2004

Ms. Sarah Brown, Treasurer
Ohio State Central & Executive Committee
211 S. Fifth Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Response Due Date:
October 8, 2004

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Reference: July Monthly Report (6/01/04-6/30/04)

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) of your report discloses a payment(s) for "ISSUE ADVOCACY POSTAGE", "TARGETED CNTY PHONE BANK", "TARGETED COUNTY PHONE BANK", and "TARGETED PHONE BANK" which you have categorized as Federal Election Activity; however, you have failed to identify the candidate(s) for which this activity should be attributed to. Expenditures and disbursements for public communications that refer to a clearly identified candidate for Federal office and that promote, support, attack or oppose any candidate for Federal office, meet the definition of Federal Election Activity under 11 CFR §100.24 and should be disclosed on Schedule B for Line 30(b) along with the identity of the candidate(s). However, public communications that meet the definition of Federal Election Activity <u>and</u> that also contain express advocacy as defined at 11 CFR §100.22, would constitute an in-kind contribution, an independent expenditure or a coordinated party expenditure and should be properly disclosed on a Schedule B, E or F supporting Lines 23, 24 or 25, as appropriate, rather than on Schedule B for Line 30(b). Please amend your report to properly disclose this activity.

-Schedule A supporting Line 12 discloses a transfer(s)-in from the Republican National Committee. Schedule B supporting Line 30(b) reflects payments for "EXEMPT-BALLOONS", "EXEMPT-BUMPER